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In re Application of:

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office action mailed May 9, 2006, to which the time for response was set to expire August 9, 2006. The pending claims, claims 7 and 12, were rejected. Reconsideration and entry of the following amendment(s) are respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.